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SUBJECT: LOCAL PRESS ARTICLE ON JAMAICA-CUBA TRADE AND US AID

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1. GEORGETOWN PRESS (GUYANA GRAPHIC) TODAY , 1/23, FEATURES FRONT PAGE HEADLINE ARTICLE ENTITLED QUOTE JAMAICA MAY LOSE \$20 MILLION (G) U.S. AID IF THEY TRADE WITH CUBA. UNQUOTE EMBASSY BELIEVES TEXT OF ARTICLE IS BASED ON MISINTERPRETED INFORMATION. WE REPEAT PERTINENT PART OF TEXT FYI. QUOTE KINGSTON, JAMAICA: AN AMERICAN DIPLOMAT HAS SAID HERE THAT JAMAICA STOOD TO LOSE 10 MILLION DOLLARS (ABOUT \$20 M.G.), IN UNITED STATES AID ANNUALLY, THE MOMENT THIS COUNTRY STARTS TRADING WITH CUBA. MR. ASHLEY HEWITT, THE US CHARGE D'AFFAIRES SAID HE WAS CERTAIN UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS INTRODUCED TO GIVE EFFECT TO AN ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES (OAS), EMBARGO ON CUBA WOULD AUTOMATICALLY COME INTO FORCE IF JAMAICA PROCEEDED WITH ITS INTENTION TO TRADE WITH THE CARIBBEAN COMMUNIST STATE. MR. HEWITT WAS INTERVIEWED BY REPORTERS ON MONDAY NIGHT AFTER AN OFFICIAL DISCLOSURE
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THAT JAMAICA WAS HOPING TO EXPORT GOODS WORTH ABOUT 7.5
MILLION DOLLARS (J)- ABOUT 3.7 MILLION STERLING) ANNUALLY
TO CUBA. UNQUOTE.

2. EMBASSY WELCOMES ANY CLARIFICATION, AS GOG MAY APPROACH
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